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The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- (Previously Presented) An integrated circuit capacitor, comprising:
 an electrically insulating electrode support layer having an opening therein, on
 an integrated circuit substrate;
 - a U-shaped lower electrode in the opening;
- a first capacitor dielectric layer extending on an inner surface and outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode;
- a second capacitor dielectric layer extending between the outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode and the first capacitor dielectric between the outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode and an inner sidewall of the opening and directly contacting a surface of the first capacitor dielectric layer opposite the U-shaped lower electrode; and an upper electrode on the first capacitor dielectric layer.
- 2. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 1, wherein the second capacitor dielectric layer does not extend on the inner surface of the U-shaped lower electrode.
- 3. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 1, wherein the electrically insulating electrode support layer comprises:
 - a mold layer on the integrated circuit substrate; and an etch stop layer on the mold layer.
- 4. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 3, wherein the mold layer comprises silicon oxide and wherein the etch stop layer comprises at least one of silicon nitride and/or tantalum oxide.

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- 5. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 1, wherein the first capacitor dielectric layer extends onto the support layer.
- 6. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 1, wherein the first capacitor dielectric layer comprises tantalum oxide, aluminum oxide (Al₂O₃), and/or Hafnium Oxide (HfO₂).
- 7. (Original) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 1, wherein the second capacitor dielectric layer comprises a dielectric material that is not etched by an oxide etchant.
- (Previously Presented) An integrated circuit capacitor, comprising:
 an electrically insulating electrode support layer having an opening therein, on
 an integrated circuit substrate;
 - a U-shaped lower electrode in the opening;
- a first capacitor dielectric layer extending on an inner surface and outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode; and
- a second capacitor dielectric layer extending between the outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode and the first capacitor dielectric between the outer portion of the U-shaped lower electrode and an inner sidewall of the opening and directly contacting a surface of the first capacitor dielectric layer opposite the U-shaped lower electrode.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

- 10. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 8, wherein the second capacitor dielectric layer does not extend on the inner surface of the U-shaped lower electrode.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 8, wherein the electrically insulating electrode support layer comprises:

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a mold layer on the integrated circuit substrate; and an etch stop layer on the mold layer.

- 12. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 11, wherein the mold layer comprises silicon oxide and wherein the etch stop layer comprises at least one of silicon nitride and/or tantalum oxide.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 8, wherein the first capacitor dielectric layer extends onto the support layer.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 8, wherein the first capacitor dielectric layer comprises tantalum oxide, aluminum oxide (Al₂O₃), and/or Hafnium Oxide (HfO₂).
- 15. (Previously Presented) The integrated circuit capacitor of Claim 8, wherein the second capacitor dielectric layer comprises a dielectric material that is not etched by an oxide etchant.